

Resolution No.: _____
Introduced: _____
Adopted: _____

**COUNTY COUNCIL
FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND**

By: County Council

SUBJECT: Approval of the FY 2021 Aggregate Operating Budget

Background

1. Section 305 of the County Charter requires the affirmative vote of 7 Councilmembers to approve the aggregate operating budget if that budget exceeds the adopted spending affordability guidelines then in effect. Section 305 excludes from the aggregate operating budget:
 - Specific grants;
 - Enterprise Funds;
 - Tuition and tuition-related charges at Montgomery College;
 - Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission.
2. Section 20-60 of the County Code requires the Council to set spending affordability guidelines by resolution no later than the second Tuesday in February. The guidelines must specify a ceiling on the aggregate operating budget for FY 2021.
3. Section 305 of the Charter requires that at least 6 Councilmembers must approve the aggregate operating budget if that budget exceeds the budget for the preceding year by more than the rate of inflation, as measured by the annual average increase in the Consumer Price Index for all urban consumers in the Washington-Baltimore Metropolitan area for the 12-month period preceding December 1, which was 1.27% percent for the 12-month period preceding December 1, 2019.
4. On May 23, 2019, in Resolution 19-133, the Council approved the FY 2020 aggregate operating budget in the amount of \$5,023,849,028. If that aggregate operating budget increased at the 1.27% percent rate of inflation for the 12-month period preceding December 1, 2019, it would be \$5,087,820,170.

5. In Resolution No. 19-357 adopted February 11, 2020, the Council adopted the following spending affordability guideline for the FY 2021 aggregate operating budget.

- FY 2021 ceiling on the aggregate operating budget \$5,087,820,170

Action

The County Council for Montgomery County, Maryland approves the following resolution:

The Council approves the FY 2021 aggregate operating budget in the amount of \$5,085,507,002, as calculated on the attached page. Because the FY 2021 aggregate operating budget does not exceed the FY 2021 ceiling on the aggregate operating budget of \$5,087,820,170, 7 affirmative votes are not required to adopt this resolution.

This is a correct copy of Council action.

Selena Mendy Singleton, Esq.
Clerk of the Council

The FY 2021 aggregate operating budget excludes enterprise funds, specific grants, and tuition and tuition-related charges at the College and is calculated as follows.

Fund or District	Appropriation (\$)
General Fund	1,239,718,284
Fire District	224,869,427
Economic Development Fund	5,159,418
Mass Transit	149,364,876
Recreation District	43,116,097
Urban District	9,635,246
Montgomery County Public Schools	2,562,357,999
Montgomery College	268,915,660
Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission:	
Administration Fund	32,484,966
Park Fund	104,698,536
Debt Service on County Bonds and Leases	415,203,210
Debt Service on Park Bonds	7,308,010
Current Revenue for the Capital Budget	65,928,000
Current Revenue for PAYGO	32,000,000
Total Appropriations	5,160,759,729
Less College Tuition and Tuition-Related Charges	(75,252,727)
FY 2021 AGGREGATE OPERATING BUDGET	5,085,507,002
SUMMARY:	
Montgomery County Public Schools	2,562,357,999
Montgomery College	268,915,660
County Government	1,584,725,809
Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission	134,191,109
Retiree Health Insurance Pre-Funding	90,129,932
Debt Service on County Bonds and Park Bonds	422,511,220
Current Revenue and PAYGO for Capital Budget	97,928,000
Total Appropriations	5,160,759,729
Less College Tuition and Tuition-Related Charges	(75,252,727)
FY 2021 AGGREGATE OPERATING BUDGET	5,085,507,002
Aggregate Operating Budget for FY 2020	5,023,849,028
\$ increase	61,657,974
% change	1.23%